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This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News contains the statewide results of the April Cattle on Feed Survey.

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Idaho Cattle on Feed Down 2 Percent From Previous Year

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on April 1, 2010 totaled 205,000 head, 2 percent below the April 1, 2009 inventory. The cattle on feed inventory is up 10,000 head from the March 1, 2010 inventory of 195,000 head. Placements of cattle in state feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during March totaled 34,000 head, up 8,000 head from March 2009 placements. Marketings of cattle from feedlots with 1,000 head or more during March totaled 23,000 head, down 7,000 head from the same month a year ago. Other disappearance totaled 1,000 during March.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.8 million head on April 1, 2010. The inventory was 4 percent below April 1, 2009. The inventory included 6.71 million steers and steer calves, down 4 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 62 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.02 million head, down 3 percent from 2009. Placements in feedlots during March totaled 1.86 million, 3 percent above 2009. Net placements were 1.80 million head. During March, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 395,000, 600-699 pounds were 375,000, 700-799 pounds were 602,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 485,000. Marketings of fed cattle during March totaled 1.90 million, 4 percent above 2009. Other disappearance totaled 60,000 during March, 20 percent above 2009. This is the second lowest other disappearance for the month of March since the series began in 1996.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots^{1/}

State	April 1, 2009	March 1, 2010	April 1, 2010		
			Number	As % of 2009	As % of March
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	Percent
Arizona	330	286	278	84	97
California	445	450	440	99	98
Colorado	1,040	940	930	89	99
Idaho	210	195	205	98	105
Iowa	530	*610	600	113	98
Kansas	2,280	2,220	2,240	98	101
Nebraska	2,320	2,350	2,290	99	97
Oklahoma	330	355	340	103	96
South Dakota	225	240	235	104	98
Texas	2,810	2,650	2,640	94	100
Washington	160	168	171	107	102
Other States	345	410	400	(X)	98
United States	11,162	*10,874	10,769	96	99

* Revised 1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. (X) Comparison to 2009 is not applicable.

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